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AMENDMENT

Clean Version

Please amend the above-specified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL Claims 1-33 and 46-49 without prejudice.

Please REPLACE Claim 51 as follows:

51. (AMENDED) A computer readable medium encoded with processing instructions for implementing a method, the method comprising the steps/of:

establishing an agreement with an expert, wherein the agreement specifies a periodic compensation amount that the expert will receive in exchange for providing a minimum number of diagnoses during a time period;

transmitting, during the time period, a plurality of requests to the expert, wherein each request comprises a request for a diagnosis of a physiological anomaly associated with a patient;

receiving, from the expert, a response to each of the requests;

receiving, for each response that is an acceptance of the request, the diagnosis for the patient of the request; and

causing the compensation amount to be provided to the expert if, at the end of the time period, it is determined that the expert has provided the minimum amount of diagnoses during the time period.